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## Looking at the News with Col. Hugh Clark

IT is said that some speculators made money by buying sugar just before the budget placed a two-cent tax on it; and some M.P.'s suspect a leak somewhere. Not necessarily. It may have been what Lord Curzon called intelligent anticipation on the part of the speculators. It is fairly safe to bet on taxes and more taxes.

Warning the Germans against alliances, General Ludendorff contends that they would have won the war if they had had no allies. Maybe so. The United States won it without any allies—only associates.

An English lecturer says wealth is a disease. With the average promoter it is a skin disease.

No man can expect to be popular if his salary has been increased during the past three years.

Henry Ford could have told Hitler that it does not pay to attack the Jews. Or any other race or creed, for that matter.

A reduction in summer relief allowances in Calgary precipitated a riot in which the police would have been worsted were it not for the help given by relief workers. Four rioters were arrested. Note their names: Andrew Caulak, Karl Sandstrom, Charles Rudsky and J. Lukasuk.

Miss Macphail, M.P., boasts that what Roosevelt has done is right in line with what she has been advocating. We were not aware that she was in favor of beer by the glass.

Of loans made by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to the Missouri Pacific Railroad, ten million dollars went to pay a claim of the J. P. Morgan Co. Nearly all loans made nowadays do not help the borrower. It is a case of borrowing from Peter to pay Paul because Paul is pressing. There is no change in the status of the borrower. The only change is that Peter instead of Paul is left holding the bag.

We are all in the same boat and the disquieting thing is not that a few want to rock it, but that so many think these few should not be disturbed in the exercise of that privilege.

The redemption of Dominion notes in gold is suspended for a year.—Ottawa dispatch.

It gives us a pain,  
It makes us feel sore,  
We can't do again  
What we couldn't before.

Rather than have Russia and Japan go to war about a railway, what's the matter with offering them a few railways in North America?

A man named Misaler, a refugee from Germany, gives an interview in which he confirms reports of atrocities by the Nazis. No wonder he fled. A man with a name like that is no match for Hitler.

John Bull is thought to be slow, but he was several jumps ahead of the nimble Uncle Sam in the flight from gold. There are people in fact who believe Sam wouldn't have hopped off at all if John hadn't.

Ramsay MacDonald declares the man a fool who said the great war was a war to end war. It seemed at the time, however, to be more reasonable than the proposition that Ramsay MacDonald would become prime minister of Great Britain.

## CHURCH OF CHRIST

Is Christianity simply the belief in Christ and the church and membership in some church or is it a new way of life for every day? This thought for sermon Sunday morning, entitled "In the Name of Jesus."

Bible school at 10:30. Morning worship and communion 11:30. Christian Endeavor 7:00.

Evening services 8:00. Young people's choir. Sermon "The Three Judgments." Everyone must appear before each.

## Vulcan Sports Activities During the Week Past

### Tennis, Golf, Baseball and Softball Commence Season

Members of Vulcan sports circles are enthusiastic for the 1933 season although the late spring has somewhat hampered the play so far as the season has advanced.

Tennis, golf, baseball and softball have all had activities during the week past.

In the tennis circles an increase of players is noted with large numbers availing themselves of the fine weather and good courts. Between twenty-five and thirty High School students have expressed desire to join in membership this year and No. 3 court has been repaired for their use. A meeting of the tournament committee was held on Thursday last, G. McQueen, D. McAfee, H. Ferguson, Stanley Mais, Misses F. Newton and K. Thomas, the members of the committee, were present and decided matters of tournament arrangement. Arrangements were made for entertainment of members of the High River club at the local courts on Sunday, May 21, weather permitting. Challenge board competition will be arranged and a club tournament will be a feature during the first week in June. The grounds committee, Stan Mais, D. McAfee, G. McMann, Geo. Seaman and B. Munro, have prepared the courts and they are in excellent shape.

The course of the Vulcan Golf Club has been active with members of both ladies' and gentlemen's clubs playing on the days that the sun comes from hiding. Over the week end dozens tried to lower their last season's average. The snow storm of Wednesday morning cancelled the two-ball mixed foursome tournament that had been scheduled to start at 1:30 on the afternoon of that day.

Softball, popular in Vulcan last year, still retains its popularity and the team has played several games, winning practically all these. Ensign, Red Cross, Mossleigh, Union Jack, Kirkcaldy are a number of points that the locals have visited as far as the season has advanced. Over the week end the team journeyed to Mossleigh and Union Jack, winning both games, the former 25 to 2 and the latter 14 to 8.

Baseball players have taken every opportunity possible to practice during the past week. The management tried to arrange a game for Wednesday, but no team could be procured. However, the weather was inclement on that day and no game could have been played. Members of the executive committee attended a meeting of the Foothills League at High River, when at the time all players of the team were registered. Some twenty-nine completed the register from this club, this number of course, will be "weeded" down to the usual number carried by teams during the playing season. Those registered were R. C. Carruthers, J. Clark, R. Marshall, H. Ferguson, E. Robson, D. Snow, A. Marshall, W. Love, Chas. Fulton, E. Love, R. Flynn, J. McIntyre, F. Bouzome, E. Harper, G. Fulton, J. Ackley, A. Thompson, W. Recor, B. Thompson, H. Woodward, M. Fulton, D. Akred, C. Fletcher, G. Rutten, A. McAskille, E. B. Siler, and H. LaRoche. The League schedule opens on Wednesday of next week at Blackie, when Vulcan meets Staveland in the tournament games.

### GOOD DEEDS W. I.

Mrs. D. H. Galbraith was hostess to Good Deeds W.I. on May 11. There were twenty-four members and several visitors present. As the subject for this meeting was Agriculture, Mrs. Galbraith gave a paper on the topic and the roll call was arranged in keeping with the same topic. The members exchanged seeds and plants. Mrs. Brown reported on the Rest Room meeting and this branch donated five dollars toward the expenses. Miss May Morley won an apron donated by Mrs. Galbraith and Mr. Geo. Bateman, Brant, drew the silk quilt. Mrs. Galbraith was elected to represent Good Deeds at the provincial convention in Calgary.

Mrs. J. B. Morley, Vulcan, is having a bridge and whist party at her home May 25th. A small charge will be made and everyone welcome.

Mrs. H. Hungerbuhler will entertain at the June meeting.

## KIRKCALDY STORE BREAK-IN THURSDAY

Corporal Forsland, R.C.M.P., Finds Loot and Arrests Guilty Party

On Thursday morning of last week when A. J. Maisey, proprietor of the Kirkcaldy store, went to open the business for the day's trade, discovered an entrance had been made to the store during the night and \$15 in cash and \$150 in tobacco and other goods had been stolen.

Corporal Forsland, R.C.M.P., Vulcan, was notified and immediately started investigations. Suspicion was cast on a young man who worked on the farm of Grant Mallory, several miles west of Kirkcaldy. Previous to his securing a job he had spent some time in Kirkcaldy and was befriended by the man whom he later robbed, as the case turned out.

Corporal Forsland accompanied by Mr. Maisey, made search of the Mallory farm where the man was working and were successful in discovering two sacks filled with the loot in straw stacks during the following night. The fellow was taken from his bed at the farm and placed in the detachment cell at Vulcan. At first he denied all knowledge of the robbery, but later, when the goods were shown him he made complete confession.

He gave his name as Donald Matheon, aged 19 years, and his home city as Calgary. He returned with the officer and showed where he had buried the stolen money in a tin can.

Preliminary hearing was made in Vulcan before W. E. Butchart, J. P., and committed for trial at Lethbridge.

## First Vulcan Troop Will Present Concert

Staged at Vulcan Theatre on Thursday, June 1st; In Aid of Troop Funds

The boys of the First Vulcan Troop Boy Scouts are preparing to present a really good concert for the public on Thursday, June 1st at the Vulcan theatre. Tickets are now on sale and an excellent attendance is anticipated by the boys, who have been working hard during the past few months to make the concert a success for the aid of the troop funds.

A special feature of the program will include a comedy in one act entitled "A Girl To Order," by Bessie Wreford Springer. The cast, Miss Ruth Peterson, Orion Dodds, Grant Clark, Bill Morley, Jack Picken and Donald Ulrich, are under the direction of Mr. Guy Denbigh, whose ability in theatricals is well known by patrons of the Vulcan Dramatic Society, of which he is president. Direction of the play under Mr. Denbigh will produce a comedy with many good laughs.

Other items of the programme will include a number of sleight of hand tricks and step dancing by Scout Omaha Creer of Lomond. The Vulcan Symphony Orchestra will render a number of musical selections under the baton of Conductor Forsland and many other items will be presented on the varied programme.

Tickets at the price of twenty-five cents will be on sale by uniformed scouts and residents are respectfully requested to receive the boys who call on them and support the local troop by buying the tickets and attending the concert on June 1st.

Dr. and Mrs. H. N. Heal were Calgary visitors last week.

Miss N. Walker of Trochu, is a visitor this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Flood.

Harry Ferguson and Miss F. Newton were Calgary visitors on Tuesday.

Mrs. H. W. Soley of Edmonton is a Vulcan visitor, a guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. D. McAfee.

The next meeting of the Mayview U.F.A. will be held at the home of Mrs. Stager on Monday, May 22nd. Members please note.

A. Patterson of the Bank of Commerce staff left for a two week holiday leave on Saturday last for Lethbridge and other points.

## LOCAL ITEMS

Born to Mr. and Mrs. R. Simington at the Vulcan Municipal Hospital on Sunday, May 14, a son, weight 9 lbs. 14 oz. Congratulations.

A card evening will be held in the St. Aldhelm's church hall on Monday evening, May 22nd. Everybody welcome.

Miss M. Harback of the student class of the Calgary General Hospital, arrived home on Tuesday to spend a three week vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Harback.

Saturday last was the regular meeting date for the council of the municipal district of Royal, but due to the seeding activities the meeting was cancelled until a later date.

Norman Priestly will deliver an address at the Mayview school on Sunday, May 21st at 3 p.m. He will speak on the C.C.F. Everybody from town and district welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. J. McKay and Miss Ruth McKay, accompanied by Mrs. E. King, motored to Edmonton this week to attend the graduation exercises of the University of Alberta, in which Howard McKay is taking part.

Buffalo Hills news in the Bow Valley Resource: "Oscar Severn and his partner, Mr. Middleton, have purchased another section of land, about five miles west of their last purchase, and nine miles south of Eastway school. The price being sixty bushels of wheat per acre was spread over a term of years."

Residences owned by R. L. Elves and R. Ferguson have this week received application of paint that adds to the appearance of the property in color. Paint-up is a good follow-up slogan to clean-up and greatly adds to the beauty of the town. Recent painting of down-town premises includes redecoration of the restaurant interiors of the New Club and Canada Cafes.

The re-decorating and repairing of the building recently taken over by W. Rodney and known as Rodney's Service Station has been completed and has an attractive appearance both inside and outside. New stocks of tires and tubes in all sizes have been completed, as well as automobile accessories and popular brands of oils, gasoline and greases. The driveway to the gas pumps has been gravelled and every convenience is given to patrons.

Mrs. John Wolfe received by telegram on Tuesday the sad news that her father, William Mitchell, aged 82, passed away at his home in Vancouver on May 16. Mr. Mitchell was well known by many in Vulcan and district, having, with Mrs. Mitchell, made a sojourn of a number of months at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wolfe in the year 1925. Funeral services will be held in Vancouver on Saturday, Mrs. Wolfe was a recent visitor to Vancouver during the Easter excursions and at that time visited with her father.

W. L. Peglar, district representative of the Union Tractor and Harvester Company, Alberta distributors for the Caterpillar Tractor, was a Vulcan visitor on Wednesday making arrangements for the annual Caterpillar Tractor school. This instructive event will be held in the Oddfellows' hall on Thursday, May 25th, with two sessions at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m. Talking motion pictures will be featured as well as lectures on various farming implements. Further information is carried in an advertisement appearing in this issue.

The racing of homing pigeons by the Lethbridge Homing society has become an interesting sport of that society. First racing of pigeons was made from Vulcan to the south city on May 7th. Shipment was made of 100 birds to A. R. Knox, stationmaster, on May 8th, with instructions for releasing on the following day. Speed made by the pigeons in their return journey varied from 1116.7 to 870.1 yards per minute. On Tuesday of this week a private trial flight of young birds owned by Geo. Blacker of Lethbridge was made from Vulcan, when about a dozen birds were sent on their homeward journey.

## Marquis Councillor and His Family



Mr. and Mrs. Steve Williams and Family

By courtesy of the Country Guide we are enabled to reproduce the above illustration of Councillor Steve Williams and family. On page three appears also an interesting story of his public services to his community in the Municipal District of Marquis.

## CECIL M. GARDINER REBEKAH PRESIDENT IS LAID TO REST OFFICIAL VISIT

Funeral services for the late Cecil Merritt Gardiner, aged 51, who passed away at his farm home north and east of Vulcan, on the morning of Thursday, May 11, were held from the United Church, on Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, Rev. J. N. Brunton officiating. The large crowd attending and the number of cars in the funeral cortege to the Vulcan burial park, showed the extent of sympathy extended to the mourners.

An impressive ceremony was conducted at the church by the pastor and members of Vulcan lodge, A.F. and A.M., No. 74, conducted graveside rites under the guidance of the Worshipful Master, Wm. Bro. R. W. Simington. Wm. Bro. G. McQueen conducted the ceremony. The pallbearers were, Wm. Clarkson John Crick, George Scoumand, Pete McAsh, J. T. Willard and Wm. Robson. Funeral arrangements were in charge of the Snodgrass Funeral Home.

Surviving relatives are his widow, living at the Vulcan farm home; one daughter, Margaret at home and one son, C.M. Jr., of Schenectady, N.Y.

Mr. Gardiner was born at Pittsburg, Kansas, in the 1882. In 1914 he came out to Alberta, taking up farming operations in the Kirkcaldy district, and several years ago moving to the farm in the Vulcan district where he has resided since. He was a citizen highly regarded by a wide circle of friends, not only as a capable farmer but a very fine citizen.

## Seeding Again Halted By Snow and Rain

Week of Good Seeding Weather Followed by Snow on Wednesday

Practically a week of good seeding weather was enjoyed by the farmers throughout the Vulcan district since Wednesday of last week. A light shower fell on Monday evening, but did not hamper operations, however rain fell late Tuesday afternoon and at six o'clock Wednesday morning, a damp snow storm hit the district that suspended the operations. A few hours of sunshine would be all that is needed to clear the moisture away for further seeding. At the time of writing the sky was still overcast and the snow still falling.

During the fine weather of the past week seeding was rushed and on many of the larger farms three shifts continued throughout the day and night, with ingenious lighting systems arranged on the tractors. An estimate of 60 per cent. is made on the acreage seeded. Only a few more days of fine weather would see seeding completed.

Early sown wheat is well up above the ground and of fine uniform stand. Gardens are practically all seeded and the early planted gardens have all the early varieties such as onions, radish, peas and lettuce, well up.

It is doubtful if the acreage will be decreased this season, however, the late season may work for a slight decrease.

Members of Clover Leaf Rebekah lodge, No. 37, were honored with an official visit from the present of the Rebekah Assembly, Mrs. S. Robinson of Stettler, at the regular meeting held on Monday evening, and a splendid attendance of members turned out to welcome her. Fraternal guests at the same occasion were Mrs. A. McIver, D.D.P.; and E. G. McPherson, G.M. Mrs. Robinson has been making her official visits to lodges in the south from Calgary to Macleod on both lines and from Medicine Hat to Coleman.

After regular order of business, interesting and inspiring addresses were delivered by the official visitors. The president in her remarks, spoke of the work of the order, and had a number of timely and interesting suggestions. During the evening, Mrs. R. E. Dodds entertained the members with a solo selection and Miss Leta Roe with readings, which were greatly enjoyed.

At the close of the session of lodge work the company sat down to a banquet, during which Mrs. McIver, D.D.P., presented Mrs. Robinson with a gift as a memento of her visit to Vulcan. Mrs. Robinson in a short speech returned thanks for the gift.

On Tuesday evening, May 16, Mr. Robinson made her official visit to the Primrose Rebekah Lodge, No. 61, Lomond, and was accompanied by a number of members of the Clover Leaf lodge. She will visit Rose Leaf lodge, No. 109, Milo, on May 19, and Wanda lodge, No. 61, Carmangay on May 22.

While in Vulcan, Mrs. Robinson was entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Dawson.

Dr. G. M. Carson—was a business visitor in Calgary on Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Rutton of Raymond was a Vulcan visitor on Friday last.

Miss Mary Craig was a visitor for several days in Calgary last week.

Last Thursday, nearly 48,000 shares changed at the Calgary Stock Exchange.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Mutz of Lethbridge, were Vulcan visitors one day last week.

Herb. Linley of Calgary, spent a few days with his parents Mr. and Mrs. R. Linley.

Miss Barbara Howes of Calgary, was a week end visitor with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Howes.

Miss Grace Dunham of Craigmyle Alta., was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Mutz for several days.

Alberta provincial savings certificates of the demand class, has a new rate of 3½ per cent. interest instead of 4 per cent.

Mr. Glenn Palfrey and Miss Gladys Phillips, teachers at Carmangay, were married in Okotoks last weekend.

Angus Sinclair returned to Vulcan on Tuesday morning after visiting in Edmonton and other northern points for the past month.

Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Robson accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. R. Carruthers were week end visitors in Lethbridge.



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### WHEN LIFE WAS EARNEST

Some one has said that all modern facilities and methods should contribute to happiness and suavity in domestic living. Whether they actually do or not, is open to dispute. But they should. One recent testifier records that the only time she remembers her mother and father "having words" was in house-cleaning time. The stove-pipe situation which loomed up in the spring and fall, invariably brought bitter repartee.

Most middle aged folk can confirm this memory from recollections of their own childhood. Housecleaning time was nothing that could be laughed off. It was a stupendous undertaking, dependent for its success on muscular effort and determination. No electric vacuums and waxers, no electric washing machines, no gas, no furnaces. It required men of iron and women of strong Christian character.

Recall those periods, occurring semi-annually, when the "parlor" and dining room stoves were taken down or put up. Recall the infinite lengths of stove pipe, fitting cheek by-jowl in the spring, and utterly refusing to connect in the fall. The elbows for this place, that father insisted on adjusting to that place! The grim set of father's jaw, the hectic light in mother's eyes. How it all comes back! Then there was the paper-hanging, usually undertaken by the home folks because paper hangers always failed to show up when wanted. Paperhanging is no light undertaking for amateurs, and many a harsh word has been passed in the stress of achievement. Fortunate indeed, that both hands were necessarily occupied when the most delicate crises would develop. Few of the older generation so serene in disposition that they could pass through the fiery furnace of pipe-fitting and paper-hanging without a slight scorching.

Then there were the lesser episodes of old-time housecleaning. The rag carpets that were taken up and ripped, length by length before washing. Then the huge tubs of suds, and the children called into service to tramp the carpets. Finally the clean lengths hung on the line to dry, with all the bright colors renewed and fresh. Then again the tedious labor of sewing them together, seam by seam. No wonder many a grandmother refuses to have one scrap of the once-again-popular rag carpet in her house. She has been through too much.

Laying carpets was always quite a proposition, with the edges pulled tight to the baseboard. And washing and "stretching" the floor length curtains was no child's play either.

Anyone old enough to recall the thousand and one arduous features of a "thorough spring cleaning" as it was interpreted forty years or more ago, will never be found railing against modern facilities or wishing for the good old days. She knows better.

And furthermore, she knows that anyone who groans over housecleaning these days, is making much ado about nothing. Although modern inventions may not guarantee perfect peace in domestic relations, they certainly should help. Ask grandfather or grandmother.

### A CENT A MILE

Nothing in the way of holiday possibilities has created so much stir as the recent "cent-a-mile" excursion rate, issued by the C.P.R. This rate gives travellers an unprecedented opportunity. Quite recently excursions to Toronto ran approximately \$111 return. The new offer from Toronto, is \$41.55.

Although such remarkable cuts in regular fares are something of a novelty in the West, they have been carried on very successfully in the East for some time, and Eastern people have fallen into the habit of watching for the railway bargains from week to week. Recognizing the surprise value of these excursions, the railways vary their offerings from week to week, stirring in their prospective customers a sense of adventure and expectancy.

The Easter excursion to Vancouver from the prairies was attended with such success, as no doubt to encourage the C.P.R. in its Eastern cheap fares. Already many an old "down Easter" is contemplating a visit to the old home, a possibility brought within his reach by the rates which are well in keeping with the money-scarce times. He thinks of arriving home in apple blossom time when nature is at its freshest and loveliest. He wonders if the old elm in the "back forty" is still standing, and what the new barns look like. He is keen to see the old neighbors, and compare notes with his old school fellows.

Altogether, the excursion offer has not only announced a certain price to convey the passenger from here to there. But it has stirred memories, roused suppressed longings and kindled hope. No method of travel can equal in comfort and price the cent-a-mile rate on the railroad. It is a bargain so striking that it will not be overlooked.

It would also appear to be good business on the part of the railways. For a long time now, they have kept transcontinental trains moving, at what must have been a heavy loss. Better far, to fill the train, at one third the normal carriage charge, than to be obliged to meet the overhead of moving an almost empty train. The same staff, the same service is involved whether a car carry two passengers or twenty.

At last the railways are roused to a determination to fight competitive transportation agencies on their own ground. It is to be hoped that results in additional traffic will justify their vigorous action.

### IS THE SYSTEM BETTER

President Roosevelt has been invested with such emergency authority in legislation and administration as has never been exceeded, even during the stress of the Great War. And the curious thing is that one rarely hears his political faith mentioned. He is, so far as it appears at present, the man of the hour, backed by old opponents as well as by those who elected him. Once elected as President, he has already gone farther in instituting remedial action, than was dreamed likely or even possible when he was elected. The public is accepting each new

step, and apparently co-operating with him, as the great national leader. For the morale, not only of United States but of the world in general, it is hoped he may continue unimpeded, in the restoration program which he is mapping out, and that this program may be successful.

In observing this acceptance of President Roosevelt, and the evident desire on the part of many antagonistic interests to promote his efforts, it occurs that the American system of government, or election of President as a people's choice, may be superior to our own. It occurs also that the Canadian party system may be more hide-bound, and impervious to the larger good than that of United States.

There are reactionary features of the Canadian political system which make it difficult for the leader of any one party to assume unlimited authority, with the goodwill of the country at large. Canadian leaders are tied to party and party policies. It is the function of the opposition to oppose intelligently if possible, but always to oppose. Party allegiance and party dominance have a grip on Canada which cannot be of benefit under all circumstances. Parliamentary representatives come under the whip of party solidarity, and must run with their pack, regardless of personal convictions. No man can rise to fullest usefulness in Parliament so long as he is controlled by party, and it is extremely doubtful if any thinking member can honestly see eye to eye with his party on all issues. But if he bolts, he must take consequences of distrust or even ostracism.

An outstanding party leader of Canada would be met with a thousand obstacles in becoming a national leader such as Roosevelt. And have we any machinery which would permit the selection of talent from the side lines? so that we might place upon him the honor and responsibility of guiding the country nationally.

### MAY 24, EMPIRE DAY

Empire Day which has hitherto been observed on May 23, will this year, throughout the British Commonwealth, be celebrated on May 24, Queen Victoria's birthday. This combines two occasions, which in previous years were distinct and separate. It is interesting to recall that Empire Day was born in Canada. A lady of Hamilton, Ontario, was first to advance the idea of commemorating the founding of the Great British Empire on one special day of the year. Many others accepted the idea, but urged that Victoria Day and Empire Day be observed on the same day. However, the Hamiltonian asserted that the founding of Empire and Queen Victoria's birthday, represented two different phases of Empire development. She won over her opponents, and May 23 was observed in all schools through patriotic exercises and Empire studies, while May 24 remained as "The Queen's birthday and if you don't give us a holiday, we'll all run away." It has been the first holiday of the outdoor season and abundantly appreciated for that, as well as for more sentimental reasons.

Now with the passing of time, the two occasions have been merged and Lord Jellicoe, president of the Empire Day Movement, sends greetings to the dominions. He says:

"I wish to express my admiration of the magnificent spirit which has dominated the whole Empire during the very difficult year through which we have passed—a year in which industrial depression has caused much suffering and sorrow to all classes.

"The true Empire spirit which inspired the representatives at Ottawa from all the dominions sounded a very welcome note of hope for the future industrial prosperity of the Empire. Should we not then unite in a firm determination, when celebrating Empire Day, to support Empire unity both in spirit and in deed?"

"Remember the watchwords of our movement: Duty, Responsibility, Sympathy and Self-Sacrifice for the Empire.—Jellicoe."

### ARE WE GOING UP?

From the Kincardine News, comes the following happy thought:

"These days the daily newspapers are head-lined about meetings of premiers, presidents and diplomats to plan ways and means of lifting commodity prices, and whether because of their meetings and actions or because the pendulum had begun to swing upward from its centre of suspension or lowest point we do not know, however, the pleasant fact stands out that from the low of this year butter is 29 per cent. higher; cattle, 12 per cent.; cheese, 19 per cent.; copper, 25 per cent.; corn 39 per cent.; cotton 30 per cent.; eggs 17 per cent.; hogs 19 per cent.; leather 5 per cent.; lumber 17 per cent.; potatoes 7 per cent.; rubber 48 per cent.; silk, 30 per cent.; silver, 32 per cent.; wheat, 40 per cent.; sugar, 100 per cent.; oats 32 per cent.; iron, 1 per cent.

Some of these commodities will go yet higher than they are today before they find stability of price. Others will lose some of the advance made. But it does appear that we are to have the benefit of higher prices for farm products.

### ARE HAPPY DAYS HERE

Last Saturday night saw a revival of old time activity in the town. The streets were thronged with cars and shoppers, and there was an evidence of briskness and stir, such as has not been experienced for many a long day. It was reminiscent of the spirit of 1929, a spirit which we did not overly appreciate at the time, but which now stands out as a high peak in the town's history.

The fact that every hour of daylight has been given over to seeding, compelling farmers to do their shopping at night, was no doubt partly responsible for Saturday night's crowd in town. But outside of that there is undeniably a more hopeful spirit permeating every element of our community life. The "numbed" attitude appears to be passing and there is the general feeling that better times are here or at any rate in the immediate future. Farm prices are climbing slowly, but apparently solidly, and it does not take long to get a reaction from any rise. There is no doubt that we also are influenced by the general lift of prices and outlook amongst our neighbors to the south. A recent visitor to the sheep farms of Montana, reports a remarkable change in morale since the Roosevelt administration, and a definite rise in commodity prices. Wool, which a year ago, sold for 7½ cts. a pound is moving at present over the 20 ct. mark, which in itself is of tremendous importance to a sheep growing state. Other prices are also taking a jump. It is almost a certainty that such hopeful conditions will be reflected in our own country and amongst our own people.

## THREE REAL SPECIALS

I. B. C. Dollar Boxes Sodas, per box	32c
I. B. C. Shortbread Cream Filled, 2 lbs. for	45c
Pure Maple Syrup, New Stock, Half Gallon	95c

Pure Plum Jam, K. B., 4 lb. pails. 45c Pure Loganberry Jam, 4 lb. pails. 50c  
Chase & Sanborne Coffee, 3 lbs. \$1 Fresh Magic Coffee, 1 lb. pkt. 35c  
Stall Fed Young Steer for the week-end, priced 5c to 18c lb. according to cut

B. C. Rhubarb, 5 lbs. for	25c	New Cabbage, per lb.	10c
White Celery, per lb.	10c	New Carrots, per bunch	10c
Head Lettuce, each	15c	Hot House Tomatoes, per lb.	25c

Sunkist Oranges, Sweet and Juicy, 5 dozen for 95¢

"101" RANCH WHIPPING CREAM FRESH DAILY PER PINT 20c

WM. DYCE ALLAN

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### CANADIAN LEGION

B. E. S. L.

VULCAN BRANCH No. 21

The new Memorial Hall provides all club facilities including rooms for resident and transient members, shower baths, lounge and recreation rooms. Visiting members are cordially welcomed.

Branch general meeting held the Second Thursday in Every Month.



I. O. O. F.

SAMARITAN LODGE, No. 91, Vulcan, Alberta, meets second and fourth Wednesday, at 8 p.m. Visiting members welcome.

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G. McMANN, R.S.

Herbert J. Maber  
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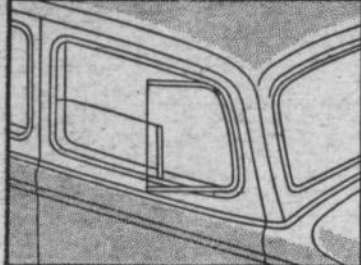
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A sample formula for small gardens is one quart of bran, one teaspoonful of Paris green, one teaspoonful of molasses, with sufficient water to moisten the bran. Shorts or middlings can also be used in place of the bran. In gardens containing rows of vegetables, the mixture should be scattered thinly along the rows on either side, as soon the cutworm injury is noticed. Flowering plants may be protected by placing a small quantity of the poisoned bran around, but not touching, each plant.

It is important that the poisoned bran be scattered after sundown so that it will be in the very best condition to attract the cutworms when they come out to feed at night. In small gardens, as soon as the cutworm injury is observed, the culprits can as a rule be easily located in the soil, about an inch or so beneath the surface and with a radius of a few inches of the plant, and can be destroyed by hand.

**OUTLOOK FOR HIGHER PRICES**

The Searle Grain Company on a world survey of wheat conditions sees the following factors as causing a rise in wheat.

Broomhall's world visible on April first is 39 million bushels less than a year ago; the peak of Australian and Argentine deliveries are over; no further exports of German wheat till August; U.S. winter wheat estimated at 200 million less than past five year average; Hungary and Roumania show less than previously figured; dry weather in France and Hungary; British embargo on Russian grain; damage to crops in Kansas and Nebraska; U.S. government suspends shipments of gold abroad; Roosevelt presents farm and monetary bill, setting higher prices for farm commodities; sterling rises in New York and Montreal; anticipated lowering of tariffs and stabilization of international currency exchange; index number of thirty commodities in U.S. increased 14 per cent.

**Bearish Factors**

The following are the bearish factors of the survey—rain in Australia dry areas; European weather generally good; higher shipments from Australia and Argentina; Italian acreage well up to a year ago; Dominion bureau estimate that Canadian carry-over August 1 will be higher than August 1, last year; favorable seeding weather in the Argentine, large acreage in Chili; anticipated August carry-over in U.S.A. may be 230 million on July 1; increase in British stabilization fund; decrease of foreign demand below last year; uncertainty re levels of foreign exchanges; much faster seeding in Russia than anticipated; European importing countries increase demand of proportion of home grown wheat to millers.

**FOOD ONLY ITEM BELOW 1913 FIGURE**

Even This Does Not Tell the Story As Middlemen Are Still Getting Theirs

The cost of living index for the month of March shows that food is the only item which is below the pre-war figure of 1913. In the past month Canada's food index stood at 60.4—that is, 60 cents will today buy what was a dollar's worth of food in 1926, the year which is used as "par" of 100. The same food cost \$1.41 in 1920, the peak of post-war prices, and 66.2 cents in 1913, the year before the war.

The cost of food is the only item in the cost of living which is below the 1913 figures. As quoted in the Toronto Star the comparative indexes are as follows:

	Year 1913	March, 1933
Food .....	66.2	60.4
Fuel .....	65.8	88.9
Rent .....	64.1	90.0
Clothing .....	63.3	69.2
Sundries .....	66.2	96.2
Total index .....	65.4	78.9

These figures are illuminating as showing the predicament in which farmers find themselves. Other items in the cost of living have declined in the past few years, but none to as great an extent as the cost of food. This means that the farmer has taken the greatest loss in the reduction of his revenue—indeed, the figures do not tell the whole story. The cost of food is much lower, but the middleman's profits have been pretty well maintained, thus throwing practically the whole burden of the reduction upon the producer.

**THE PERPETUAL COUNCILLOR**

Story of Steve Williams of Marquis M.D. as Told by the Country Guide.

There is nothing more interesting than to read a story of someone in our own community. For this reason many will take pleasure in reading the article "The Perpetual Councillor"—appearing in May's Country Guide, because it is a "color" story of Steve Williams of Marquis municipality. It is written by P. M. Abel, editor, who periodically brightens his pages by stories of Western men who have achieved something in some line of benefit to their community or to themselves. In Mr. Williams the writer sees a man who fathers a community in his perennial capacity as councillor. He has been a trusted figure in local politics for so long that when he announced that it was his time to quit, a petition was got up begging him to remain in office, and a public function in his honor left no doubt as to his standing. His election for the umpteenth time was practically unanimous.

"Steve Williams came from Oregon to Alberta in 1911 (Canada being the land of his birth), first distinguishing himself as Gleichen's second baseman. But he was not satisfied with the varieties of seed used in his neighborhood, and after several years of field trials he fixed his choice on Red Bobs. Seed bought from Seager Wheeler at \$5.00 a bushel, was multiplied in quarter section fields and distributed to neighbors at elevator prices. That bit of work made the southern slopes of the Bow Valley the greatest Red Bobs centre on the prairies.

"He also turned attention to hay growing and was never without a good sized piece of brome or western rye. In one year he grew 1200 tons of mixed hay. This found a market right at his door.

"Of course that business collapsed more or less with mechanization and Steve Williams matched Percheron teams, the pride of his heart, are now retired to the photograph album. The truck has had to solve the problem of marketing the grain of the district.

"Although the district is lacking in shelter to provide ideal livestock conditions, I suspect the biggest handicap to a livestock enterprise on this farm is the boss' ingrained habit of fathering the whole community. Neighbors' needs have always been responded to and not always without personal sacrifice.

**Road Building Hobby**

"If you travel south, just across the Indian Reserve your car is on a smooth, hard-packed nine mile stretch of dirt road. This is known through the district as "Steve's road." He used to drag it as a labor of love, before the municipality began the roadmaking program. He built it with fresnos at a cost of \$368 a mile for a 22-24 foot grade. This he regards as his greatest contribution to the municipality, even more notable than the tax reductions which he and his fellow councillors have been able to make. The Marquis M.D. has been cut from 7 mills in 1931 to 5 in 1932 and to 4 in 1933.

"Councillor Williams is commencing this summer to strip farm and will have his whole 1200 acres in time, protected in this way. The economic outlook? There is of course no loose silver in that neck of the woods, but less relief has been distributed last year than the year before. Farmers are living better, and gardens being tended more seriously. There may not be more confidence but there is less worry. If conditions mend, there will be more for the creditors. If not—well, a farmer's first duty is to his pantry."

A few years ago, the United States going off the gold standard would have created panic and chaos. A few weeks ago, it started a first-rate boom market. Why? Well, Britain had done it, and although it caused a slump it was speedily followed by a decided betterment of conditions. The public therefore, concluded that it was no longer an experiment. The world will little note nor long remember whether a country is on or off.

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### DOZEN WELLS ARE LIKELY S TURNER

New Spirit of Activity Since Restrictions Removed

Removal of drilling restrictions imposed by the Turner Valley Gas Conservation Board, bringing into production large naphtha wells, and renewed interest in oil stocks on Calgary and Vancouver exchanges have combined to bring about a drilling boom in Turner Valley almost comparable to that of 1929.

Following is a list of new wells which, it is reported, will probably be started in the near future:

Hoffer-Lundy, a Vancouver company, will drill another well near the present one which is down approximately 600 feet.

The Spooner Oil Company announces the drilling of a new well which probably will be put down in the south end of the field by Clarence Snider, veteran valley oil man.

The Sterling syndicate, with which Robert Wilkinson is associated, plans a well near Sterling-Pacific.

A Vancouver syndicate is completing plans for a well to offset the new Marjon-Freehold producer.

Another syndicate is planning to drill on the old Director oil company lease to offset Merland.

Plans are also being made between a representative of a Vancouver syndicate and the Merland company to drill another well on the Merland lease, it is understood.

Another syndicate is reported planning to drill on the Anaconda lease.

Okalta Oils, Limited, also plans to invade the south end of Turner Valley.

"We plan to pull the casing at No. 2, and take the crude production, which should amount to 50 barrels a day," W. S. Herron, managing director of Okalta, stated. "Then we will deepen either No. 4 or No. 5, each of which is down 1,600 feet, to crude production, following which we will probably drill a well in the south end."

A. M. Mayland is reported considering drilling a well four miles south of the Union Drilling Company's No. 1 which would test the extreme limits of the south end of the valley.

At present the following wells are being drilled in the south end of the field: Anaconda No. 2, Associated Royalties No. 1, Hoffer-Lundy No. 1, Union Drilling Company No. 1.—Calgary Herald.

### SIDELIGHTS ON U S CONDITIONS

W. Schenck, Vulcan, Finds Rural Illinois, in Difficult Circumstances, Hopeful Spirit

W. A. Schenck of Vulcan, has recently returned from six weeks spent in his old home at Stronghurst, Illinois. That area is largely dependent on farmers and the prices of rural products have had a generally impoverishing effect. Values of land have fallen, industries are only partially employed, the railroads have reduced payrolls, and these combined factors have reacted badly on the economic life.

Taxes are a very heavy burden. The real estate tax on a quarter section is \$225, plus a personal tax of \$90 to \$100. A 3 per cent. sales tax operative on practically all commodities in that State is also hard for citizens to carry. Land values have dropped from \$200 per acre to \$75 and \$80 with practically no demand.

Mortgage companies are foreclosing only under necessity. The farmers who pay interest on their taxes are not pressed, but are helped along. One instance, indicating the prostrate state of the agricultural element, is that of one progressive, capable farmer with 230 acres. A few years ago it was valued at \$300 per acre. He has added \$22,000 worth of improvements, the land has been treated with limestone fertilizer. Under normal conditions it is a valuable property, but was recently offered for \$14000 and there were no buyers. The owner is broke and out of work.

The closing of banks has naturally aggravated distress and distrust, and there is a strong feeling that big financiers and big banks have had much to do with wrecking the country. The unemployed situation is well controlled in that area. There were no parades, and no striking evidences of discontent or idling. An able relief program has been carried out.

Despite present circumstances, people feel faith and hope in the new administration. Strong party men have abandoned partisan prejudice, and are standing firmly by the Roosevelt rulings. Here and there may be found instances of hidebound Republicans belittling or revolting against Democratic popularity. But this is rare, and, generally speaking all party is forgotten in an effort to uphold the Roosevelt efforts at business revival.

The urge to reduce on acreage is difficult to realize as farmers must crop their land. In that part of United States, there is a very friendly feeling toward Canada and a hope that tariff barriers may be effectively lowered. There is a spirit of hopefulness that in the near future, things will take a turn for the better and all industrial life restored to old time vigor.

When Mr. Schenck was across the line, beer made its re-appearance. After the first day or two, everything settled down to normal, with no evidence of excess. Beer is 5 cents a glass and all stores in that part of Illinois were licensed.

The forecast is that the U.S. crop is 67 per cent. under normal.

The first forest fires of the season have been threatening Riding Mountain Park, Manitoba.

It is understood that Premier Bennett, Hon. W. D. Herridge, Hon. E.N. Rhodes and Hon. H. H. Stevens will all attend the International Conference in London.

The estimates for wheat acreage for 1933 indicates a decrease of about 5 per cent.

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### WHEAT BELT EXECUTIVE MEETS

Register Players for Season; Good Prospects for Four Strong Teams

Representatives from Blackie, Vulcan, Stavelly and High River, met in session over the week end, to discuss final matters in regard to the rousing baseball season which looms ahead.

The main object of the meeting was the registration of players, and judging from the line-ups presented from the different clubs, the teams will put up some keen, closely contested games.

V.C.W. Stanley presided at the meeting and amongst those present, were Bill Recor, Ray Flynn and Dan Harper of Vulcan; Ed. Wellman and Jack Schmidt of Blackie; Mr. Townsend of Stavelly; George Harper and Gray Miles of High River.

#### Tournament Plans

The official opening of the league is on May 24th at Blackie, with tournament dates in Stavelly on June 7, Vulcan, July 1 and High River, July 19. At each tournament the four clubs will play, and there will be three base ball events. The first two games will be league events, and the third game of the tournament will be an exhibition contest between winners.

#### Schedule Change

One small change has been made in the schedule. The Stavelly tournament has been changed from June 3 to June 7. For this reason, the games which had been scheduled for June 7, will be played on June 2. The tournament contests for June 3, will take place instead on June 7 in Stavelly.

### NOMINATE DR C. A. DICKSON

High River Presbytery Expresses Choice For Alberta Conference

At the recent meeting of High River Presbytery, the following business was transacted:

Rev. G. A. Dickson was nominated by High River Presbytery as president of the forthcoming Alberta Conference in Calgary. Presbytery accepted the resignation of Rev. M. G. Garabedian and recommended to conference that credentials be granted.

Rev. W. Morrison of Blackie was absent through illness.

G. E. Mack presented the plan of one-cent-a-meal as an aid for raising missionary and maintenance funds. The suggestion was endorsed and a number of special boxes ordered.

The chairman of presbytery, Rev. A. H. Howe of Granum, and Rev. A. Rennie of High River, were elected members of the settlement committee. J. J. Farquhar was invited to continue for another year as supply at Brant.

Lay delegates to conference in Calgary are S. Sutor, Blackie; J. J. Farquhar, Brant; Mrs. R. E. Finley, Carmangay; N. D. Scott, Gayley; C. A. Coutts, Claresholm; A. McGregor, Granum; G. E. Mack, High River; A. E. Morrison, Nanton; W. Fisher, Okotoks; C. E. Spencer, Parkland; J. W. Hallett and J. A. Watson, Stavelly; J. J. Baker, Turner Valley; J. T. Willard, Vulcan; W. E. Schultz of Brant is alternative in case of any vacancy. Rev. Dr. Powell of Calgary was in attendance. Meals were served by the ladies of Brant.

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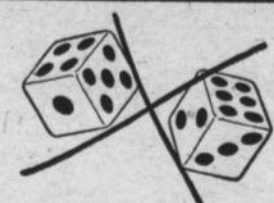
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